

Juveniles with Sexually Abusive Behaviors: Evidence-based Practices

Juvenile probation supervision and treatment services for Juveniles who commit Sexually Abusive Behaviors (JSAB) continue to move toward evidence-based and best practices. Over the last several years, the Juvenile Justice Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts, in collaboration with national consultant experts and staff from juvenile probation departments across Arizona, took an in-depth look into our state's practices and processes with this population. Using the findings from this review, along with national guidelines for treatment and current research specific to JSAB, several recommendations for system improvement were created and implementation of those recommendations is ongoing. Training for judges, probation officers and treatment providers are currently taking place. This training will provide an overview of these changes and implications for your practice with these cases.

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